You typically **don't create databases very often** - **deleting** them is (typically) an even **rarer** event.

Still, if you need to delete a database, this can be done via the`DROP DATABASE <db_name>` command.

As a side-note: If you are creating a database and you want to make sure that you don't get an error, if it already exists (i.e., you want to create a database only if it does not exist yet and continue without any errors otherwise), you can do that by adding `IF NOT EXISTS` to the `CREATE DATABASE` command. This "addition" will also be available when creating tables via`CREATE TABLE` *(covered later)*.

`IF NOT EXISTS` for `CREATE DATABASE` is ***not available*** *for Postgresql,* ***only for MySQL****.* *`CREATE TABLE`, adding `IF NOT EXISTS` works for both MySQL and Postgresql.*